

## NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Timely News Culled From All Parts of the State, Reduced for the Busy.

## SCORES OF EVENTS COVERED

The community store at Norfolk has been discontinued.

Osceola is figuring on a municipal light and power plant.

A million dollar packing plant is a possibility at Scottsbluff.

Seventy per cent of Nebraska's population is classed as rural.

A farmers live stock exchange has been organized in Cheyenne county.

The new \$25,000 Christian church at Weeping Water was dedicated Sunday.

Ice a foot thick and of superior quality has been harvested at Loup City.

Norfolk is pretty proud of the new \$100,000 Grand theatre just opened there.

Omaha claims to be the largest primary grain market in the United States.

A business college is the latest acquisition proposed by the Holdrege Commercial club.

The Rev. J. F. Culver, for many years a resident of Milford, is dead at Long Beach, Cal.

Last Tuesday's run of hogs, 16,800 head, was the heaviest receipt at South Omaha since May, 1920.

The issuance of \$15,000 bonds for the erection of a municipal lighting plant will be voted upon at Milford.

The Nebraska Retail Hardware association will hold its annual convention and exposition in Omaha Feb. 1-4.

Fillmore county commissioners have voted to permit Sunday baseball outside of villages and towns in the county.

During the year 1920, Judge Hopkins, a York justice, issued 181 marriage licenses and married fifty couples.

Athletics, music, and chalk talks were features of the Joint Y. M. C. A. American legion carnival at Aurora last week.

Nebraska college of agriculture stock judging team took second place in the western live stock show at Denver last week.

Ford Winkelman, a section hand, was struck by a train near Howe, receiving injuries from which he died a few hours later.

Although the largest corn crop in years was raised in Sherman county last year, practically none of it is being put on the market.

The university of Nebraska has spent about \$8,000 in fitting up the coliseum on the fair grounds at Lincoln for use for athletic purposes.

A bronze tablet as a memorial to Dean Monah Reese, former head of the law college, will be placed in the law building at the university.

John Placek was killed when his Ford upset while coming down a steep hill near Loup City. Death is supposed to have been instantaneous.

The value of Omaha public school property has been appraised at \$11,000,000. There are 56 public schools in which 1,110 teachers are employed.

Edgar Griffith, a barber at Cozad, has patented a chair which enables him to sit while working upon customers. It is on display at a local shop.

Irwin Wiseman, a 16 year old boy, was shot through the arm when he challenged the entry of a burglar into the home of his parents near Woodriver.

Following the appearance of three cases of smallpox in the Columbus schools, the superintendent issued an order requiring the vaccination of pupils.

Richard Debusse, 10 years old, a student at the Omaha Central High school, is thought to be the youngest high school student in the United States.

The Tri-County Teachers' institute, composed of Pawnee, Nemaha and Johnson counties, is to be held this year at Auburn from May 31 to June 3, inclusive.

Nebraska led all other states in the production of alfalfa hay during 1920. Its total production from the 1,232,947 acres planted was 3,527,689.5 tons, showing an average yield of 2.86 tons per acre.

More than 200 pupils marched down fire escapes to safety when teachers at the Sacred Heart junior parochial school at Omaha sounded the fire drill after fire was discovered on the roof of the building. Firemen extinguished the blaze with slight damage.

A motion picture machine is operated one night a week to exhibit educational films and better class entertainment features to the grade school pupils at Geneva.

Leona, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jensen of O'Neill, was scalded by falling against a pail of boiling water at the Jensen home and died a few hours afterward.

The body of an unidentified man was found in a box car at Chappell. A search by the coroner and sheriff revealed only a number of old jackknives, table knives, forks and spoons, all apparently worthless.

The judge, superintendent of schools, county attorney and treasurer of Franklin county, have moved their offices from Bloomington to Franklin, whither the county clerk, sheriff and assessor preceded them soon after the recent election by which Franklin was declared the county seat.

At the meeting of the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers at Lincoln last week, the following officers were elected: J. C. F. McKesson, Lancaster county, president; C. E. Adams, Douglas, vice-president; George H. Hastings, Saline, vice-president; Minnie P. Kaotta, Lancaster, secretary-treasurer.

Mary Nebraska Watkins, the first white child born in Nebraska City, in 1854, when that place was but a trading post, is dead at her home at Bayard.

A fourteen-room residence property, valued at \$30,000, has been purchased by a board of eighteen trustees among Omaha Masons to provide a home for needy boys.

Phil Aitkens of Lincoln has been elected president of the University golf association. Walton Roberts, another Lincoln man, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Hebron citizens are worrying over a couple of fires that occurred there lately. Both were of mysterious origin and are thought to be the result of incendiarism.

J. B. Northcutt of Nebraska City celebrated his nineteenth birthday anniversary last week by skipping rope and engaging in a few other minor athletic exercises.

C. H. Gustafson, for the past seven years president of the Farmers' Cooperative Educational union, was re-elected to the office at the recent session of that body.

Thirty-five homes at Blair are under quarantine for smallpox. Including those of Mayor Henry Christensen and two physicians. The majority of the cases are of light form.

The American State bank of Merriam, in Cherry county has been taken over by State Bank Examiner Eastman and closed at the request of the directors of the institution.

Two masked men held up and robbed a private poker party in a house on the main street of Wynmore. Seven members of the party donated \$300 cash to the gunmen who escaped.

W. M. Doval of Peru shot what he took to be a hawk, which was making off with a chicken. The fowl proved to be a bald eagle whose wings measured seven feet from tip to tip.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dammann and the latter's father, residing near Grand Island, were killed when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a Union Pacific motor train.

Omaha jobbers and manufacturers are making elaborate preparations for the annual "Market Week" festivities that will begin March 7. There will be four days of continuous entertainment.

The most terrific blizzard in the recorded history of Nebraska occurred thirty-three years ago January 12. Scores of lives were lost and the damage to cattle and other live stock was tremendous.

From January 12 to 14, old soldiers at the Grand Island Soldiers' home died at the rate of one a day, according to a supplemental report from Commandant Addison Wait to the state board of control.

While kneeling to tie a bandage around the ankle of a man to whom he was delivering an order from an Omaha drug store, Adron Vanwey, 16-year-old messenger, was slugged and robbed of \$19.02 by the man.

The announcement that the Omaha chamber of commerce is planning to give financial aid to worthy students of agriculture has brought applications for loans from twenty students, according to Dean E. A. Burnett.

The Platte river is the highest it has been in years at this time of year. It is running bank full and flooding the low lands south of Fremont. It is over the Cornhusker trail for 300 yards north of the Fremont bridge.

Box cars borrowed from eastern lines to haul grain that has never been loaded are proving a burden to Nebraska railroads. It is estimated extra cars lying idle on sidetracks are costing one railroad \$3,400 a day.

American Legion adjutants, representing 125 of the 180 posts in Nebraska, at their meeting at Lincoln, gave indorsement to the proposal for the introduction of a bill in the legislature to legalize boxing in the state.

Daniel Cole undoubtedly has the distinction of being the oldest notary in the state, as he has held that position in the town of Peru for more than fifty years past, and has been a resident of that place for nearly sixty years.

Mrs. L. J. Newman, 91 years old, died at her home in Bellwood last week. A year ago, when she celebrated her 90th birthday she had 140 direct descendants living, six children, forty-three grandchildren, seventy-one great grandchildren and twenty great great grandchildren.

Three hundred and fifty-seven persons were received at Nebraska penitentiary during 1920, exceeding the total of all previous years, according to announcement made by Warden W. T. Fenton. In 1919, 290 were received at the institution, the next highest year.

Hastings carpenters and contractors are negotiating a new wage scale. The carpenters have expressed a willingness to accept a reduction.

Omaha's total grain receipts during 1920 were 62,275,690 bushels, and its shipments were 54,921,100 bushels. The elevator capacity is 10,000,000 bushels, and its milling facilities 4,500 barrels of flour daily.

James Burton, 91 years old, of Maywood, recently enjoyed the novel experience of eating a portion of cake cooked by his great-granddaughter, Ruth Towne, 8. Ruth is one of the fifth generation of the family.

Adam Breede, of the Hastings Tribune, was one of the winners in the contest for the best editorial on "Saving," sponsored by the government savings division of the Tenth Federal Reserve district which comprises the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and major portions of Missouri, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Fifteen hotels and ballrooms at Lincoln have complied with the rules and regulations adopted by forty-one fraternities, sororities and other organizations of the state university in a fight against "high price s," which the students claimed were being charged.

## GUINEA FOWL IN GREATER DEMAND

Of Big Value in Various Sections as Substitute for Many Game Birds.

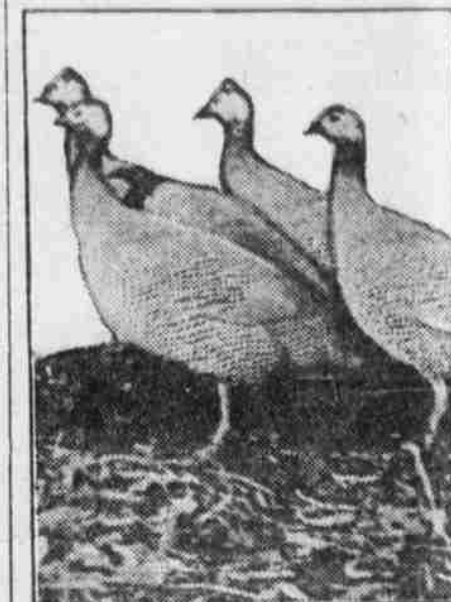
## MAKES GOOD AS POLICEMAN

Hotels and Restaurants in Large Cities Eager to Secure Young Birds Which Are Tender and of Fine Flavor.

The great majority of guinea fowl are raised in small flocks of from 10 to 25 upon farms in the Middle West and in the South, but a few of the large poultry raisers, particularly those who are within easy reach of the large Eastern markets, make a practice of raising a hundred or so guineas each year. Many farmers keep a pair or a trio of guineas more as a novelty than for profit, and from these a small flock is raised.

Warns of Marauders.

The guinea fowl doubtless would be more popular on farms were it not for its harsh and, at times, seemingly never-ending cry, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of



Peculiar Cry of Guinea Gives Warning of Marauding in Poultry Yard.

Agriculture. However, some people look on this cry as an argument in the guinea's favor, as it gives warning of marauders in the poultry yard. Similarly, their pugnacious disposition while sometimes causing disturbances among the other poultry also makes them show fight against hawks and other common enemies, so that guineas sometimes are kept as guards over the poultry yard. Often a few guineas are raised with a flock of turkeys and allowed to roost in the same tree, where they can give warning if any theft is attempted during the night.

Used as Substitute.

The value of the guinea fowl as a substitute for game birds such as grouse, partridge, quail and pheasant is becoming more and more recognized by those who are fond of this class of meat and the demand for these fowls is increasing steadily. Many hotels and restaurants in the large cities are eager to secure prime young guineas, and often they are served at banquets and club dinners as a special delicacy. When well cooked, guineas are attractive in appearance, although darker than common fowls, and the flesh of young birds is tender and of especially fine flavor, resembling that of wild game. Like all other fowl, old guineas are very likely to be tough and rather dry.

## RIDGING HENHOUSE OF MITES

Cleanliness and Disinfection Required to Destroy Parasites That Live on Fowls.

To rid the henhouse of the little red mite that stunts the hens so much requires cleanliness and disinfection. The fifth must be cleaned up, the house ventilated and the sunlight let in. Removable roosts and drop boards will help clean up the house. To disinfect the roosts and house everything should be painted or sprayed with a solution of two parts of oil and one part of stock dip. Applications should be made in pairs about five or six days apart in order to kill the mites that have hatched since the last spraying.

## GREAT ASSISTANCE OF BIRDS

Little Feathered Songsters Do Much Toward Good Crop of Fruit by Devouring Insects.

A good crop of birds goes a long way toward a good crop of fruit. Encourage the children to feed the birds during the cold, stormy weather and in spring they will pay you a hundred-fold by clearing the orchards of insect pests.

## SQUEALING PIG BEST

The pig that keeps still is the pig that sucks the most swill, runs a saying. Maybe so, but we have observed that the hungry porker who is always complaining to high heaven about his appetite usually proves a growther, thrifter, and consequently more profitable individual than his tongue-tied brother.

## CUSTOMERS SECURED FOR POULTRY SHOWS

Persons at Summer Resorts Buy Produce in Winter.

City People Have Inspected Producer's Farm and Know Under What Conditions Foodstuffs Are Raised—One Case Cited.

Many producers living near summer resorts supply produce in the summer months to the persons at the resorts, and during the other months of the year ship produce to these persons while they are in the city. This, say marketing specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture, is one of the best methods of obtaining customers for direct marketing, as the producer and consumer have some acquaintance. In most instances the customers have been at the producer's farm and know under what conditions the articles are produced.

One man who lives near a summer resort in Indiana is about twelve miles from the nearest town of any size. He does not desire to drive to this town to dispose of his farm produce and is not satisfied with the prices that the hucksters pay. Consequently he built up a business of supplying products to resorters in the summer and of shipping produce by parcel post and express to these persons at their city homes in the winter.

The principal products shipped are butter, eggs and dressed poultry. This producer uses good shipping containers and packs produce attractively. As he is acquainted with his customers, he renders statements of accounts only once a month. In this way the matter of making payments is simplified for the customers.

This producer has had no trouble in establishing his business nor in retaining customers. He states that his only trouble has been in getting enough high-grade produce to supply all of his customers.

## OBTAIN BEST HATCHING EGGS

One Male Should Be Used With Every 15 Hens of Breeds Like Orpingtons or Rocks.

The male must be in the flock from ten to fourteen days before the eggs laid can be used for hatching purposes. After the male has been removed from the flock, hatchable eggs will be laid for about three weeks thereafter. To secure good, hatchable eggs, provide one male to every twenty leghorn or other egg breeds; use one male to



Single Comb Black Orpington.

every fifteen Rocks, Reds, Wyandottes or Orpingtons, and one male to each twelve Langshans, Brahmas or other meat breeds.

## BARIUM POISONOUS TO RATS

Tests Indicate That a 20 Per Cent Mixture With Food Makes Most Satisfactory Bait.

A study of barium carbonate as a rat poison, made by the United States Department of Agriculture, indicates that a 20 per cent mixture with food makes a satisfactory bait. With this percentage a rat ordinarily needs to eat only one-third or three-eighths of a meal of average size to get a fatal dose. It was found that with this dose many of the rats poisoned died within 24 hours, though an occasional rat was found which survived an even larger amount, thus indicating that 100 per cent mortality is not to be expected in any case.

A summary of results of experiments conducted by various persons with a view to determining the deadliness of barium to different animals shows the fallacy of the assumption that barium is poisonous only to rats. It is pointed out that the fatal dose of barium per pound tends to decrease relatively as the size of the animal increases, and that a bait calculated to be fatal to rats may be assumed to be more or less dangerous to small domestic animals also.

## SUCCULENT FEED FOR FOWLS

Now That Good Qualities of Forages Are Well Known Hens Should Be Given Ample Supply.

Everyone knows that a hen lays best when she gets the succulent grasses that first shoot out of the earth in spring. Most successful feeders use in their mashies a base of some heavy, nonfattening, yet nutritious food. For a long time the best feeders of the country used wheat bran for this base, but now that the good qualities of forages are well known the bill of fare should be changed to suit.

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## EVIDENTLY SET HIM THINKING

Reminiscences of Sharp-Voiced Woman Woke Young Man to Possibilities of Situation.

"Charles," said a sharp-voiced woman to her husband in the smoking compartment, "do you know that you and I once had a romance on a train?" "Never heard of it," replied Charles, in a subdued tone.

"I thought you hadn't, but don't you remember it was a pair of slippers I presented to you the Christmas before we were married that led to our union? You remember how nicely they fitted, don't you? Well, Charles, one day when we were going to a picnic, you had your feet upon a seat, and when you weren't looking I took your measure. But for that pair of slippers I don't believe we'd ever have been married."

A young, unmarried man, sitting near by with a girl, immediately removed his feet from the seat.

## Didn't Recognize Him.

Gordon married a widow with eight children, who, in course of time, presented him with ten children. One evening he found in the street where he lived a little boy, weeping bitterly. "What's the matter, little man?" inquired Gordon, caressing him. "I've lost my way," sobbed the youngster.

"Then come home with me. I'll give you something to eat and take care of you."

Accordingly, our kind-hearted friend took the little fellow home, and said to his wife:

"See, dear, I have brought you this child. I found him all alone in the street. One more or less won't make much difference; we will treat him as if he were our own."

"Why, you stupid! Don't you know him? It's our Percy!"—Columbus Dispatch.

Those who surprise you with one extraordinary epigram and no more, probably borrowed it.

A man may be quite generous and still have a sigh every time he makes a contribution.

Nothing pleases the modest man more than being detected in the act of doing a good deed.

Land without people is a wilderness; people without land is a mob.—James J. Hill.

Did you ever know a boy to let his new watch run down?

For Constipation, Biliousness, Liver and Kidney troubles, take Garfield Tea.—Adv.

Lazy men bump up against a lot of criticism, but they usually live long and contented lives.

Yes, Herman, insanity is said to be akin to love—but a man in love doesn't care if he is crazy.

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Willing to Divide. "Yes," said the eminent specialist to the poor man who had called upon him, "I will examine you carefully for five dollars."

"All right, doctor," said the man resignedly. "If you find it I'll give you half."

The Way With Ladies. "Me and my wife had right smart of a lower day before yesterday, enduring of which I slapped her flat," related a resident of the Straddle Ridge neighborhood.

"I hope the trouble is all smoothed over by now?" returned an acquaintance.

"My part of it is. I always was a forgiving sort of gent. But wife is still going around with a corn knife wrapped up in her apron. Aw, well, you know how ladies are that-a-way; sorter—yaw-w-w-w-n!—ashy and impatient, as it were."—Kansas City Star.

At Least, Not Recorded.

A minister was examining the children of a Sunday school in their knowledge of Bible characters, and began:

"Who was the first man?"

"Adam," they all answered in chorus.

"Who was the first woman?"

"Eve," they all shouted.

"Who was the meekest man?"

"Moses."

"Who was the meekest woman?"

Everyone was silent. Finally a little hand went up and the minister asked: "Well, my little man, who was she?"

"There wasn't any," asserted the boy.

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